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CANTON NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent).
CANTON, April 18.

The Director of the Canton mint has petitioned the Viceroy to replenish the stock of copper at the mint. He suggests that it be ordered from America and Japan. The use of the copper coin is yearly increasing in Canton and the "cash" is not merely so much in favour as formerly. Hence the request for more copper.

KIDNAPING SCHOOL CHILDREN.

In the locality known as Kam Lim a teacher named Yok opened a private school. He had several pupils and his own two sons were among the students. Ten of the pupils and the two sons were lately captured by a band of brigands and the lady held to ransom. One of the sons was shortly afterwards shot to hasten the arrival of the expected ransom.

One of the sons succeeded in making his escape and has reported that the robbers are living in a large cave in the vicinity of Shek Nam Yot. In this cave the band states are large numbers of brigands together with many prisoners and much that has been looted from neighbouring farms.

MURDER IN A CONVENT.

A certain Wong Chung is a congee seller. Being very poor and having several children dependent on him he sold one of his daughters to a Buddhist Convent near Fat Shau where she was to be trained to become a nun. Some time ago he borrowed a sum of money from a friend. The friend in course of time came to demand repayment. Wong said he had no money at the time but could probably get some from the Convent. They went in company to the place and the congee seller asked for a loan of \$10. The abbess for him gave \$5 and invited the two men to partake of a meal. While eating Wong was advised to go his way and not trouble the convent any further. The congee seller became very angry, seized a large knife and dangerously wounded one of the nuns on the head. The alarm was at once raised but the enraged Wong ran "amuck" among the terrified women and wounded no less than eight of them. He then made off but during the night three of the unfortunate nuns died. Next day, on the affair being reported, the Magistrate sent an official to investigate the case and, as a result, Wong has been arrested to stand his trial for murder.

WHOLESALE PLUNDERING.

A very daring case of wholesale looting has just happened in a village called Loong Keng. This village is inhabited almost entirely by members of the Fung clan. A large number of armed robbers entered the village a few days ago and made a clean sweep of everything of value in the place leaving sorrow and desolation behind them. They moved on to another village where they repeated the performance. Such is the indignation and terror which these bandits have inspired that it is said that the chief of the country gentry have gone to Canton, to personally solicit adequate protection.

THE BANNERS' FAMILIES.

The newly appointed Tartar General has observed that the descendants of the "Eight Banners" family are increasing in number and that they are not in comfortable circumstances, the pension devoted to this family being limited. He has ordered the circumstances of these people to be investigated. He has also ordered a list of their names to be drawn up, paying particular attention to the youths between 10 and 20 years of age.

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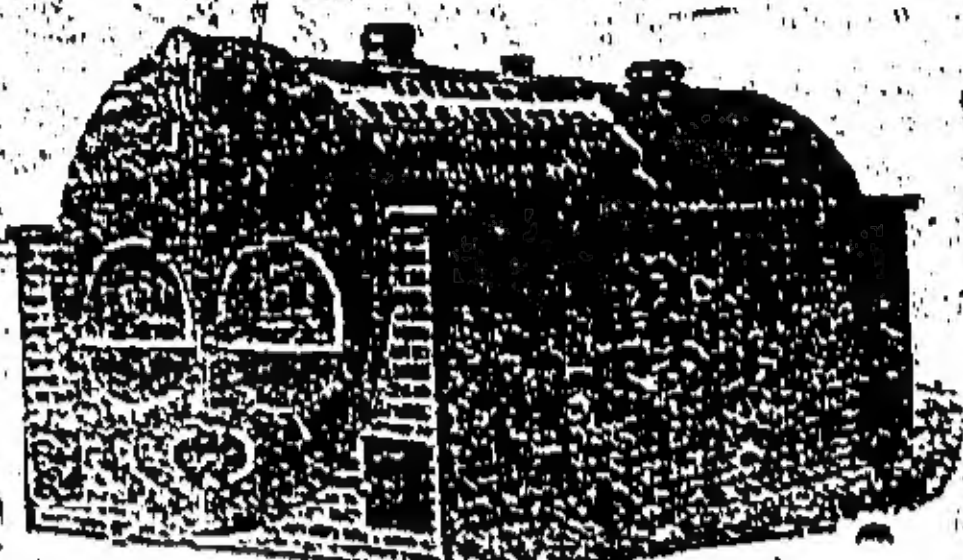
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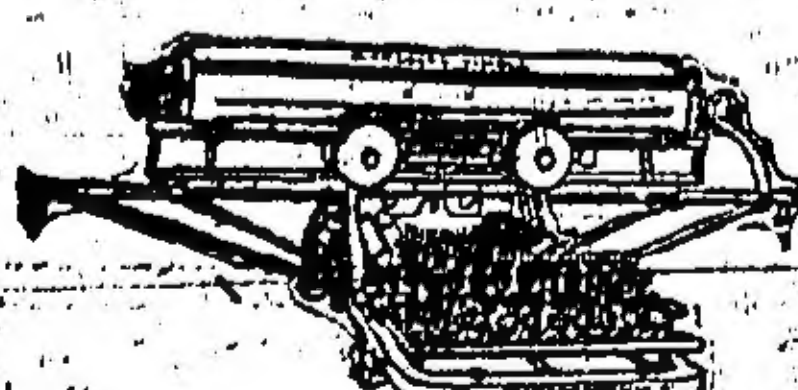
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1. To receive the Report and Accounts
of the Committee for the year end-
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BY N. M. BUTLER.

IS IT A RELIGION?

"Is it a Religion? This is a question
which is very frequently asked. To cite
two instances only: it was asked at the
Pan-Anglo Conference; it was asked
some months ago, in the columns of a
newspaper, by one who signed himself
'G.O.' The question was considered
answered, I suppose, in the former case
by the reading of a paper by one of the
bitterest opponents of Christian Science—
an American lady, M.D. How history
repeats itself! Centuries ago the early
Christians were judged and condemned
on the word only of their bitterest op-
ponents. Not being able to deny that
Christian Science is healing the sick, the
lady doctor declared the cures to be effected
by means of mental therapeutics (what-
ever that may be). The twentieth century
name, perhaps, for Beebeebub? Otherwise,
if mental therapeutics will cure the diseases
which Materia Medica is failing to cure,
why not develop a school of mental ther-
apeutics and do the healing, which it is
claimed can be done by that process? This
is a question which, perhaps, someone who
knows more of the subject than I do can
answer.

At the Lambeth Conference, without
accepting any information from scientists,
or investigating any cases of healing, the
Committee reported that they considered
the claims of Christian Science to heal all
manner of disease not substantiated. The
evidence of members of the medical pro-
fession only was accepted. The Bishop of
Winchester signed the Report. Religion,
what things are done in its name! In
London alone were hundreds of people
ready to come forward and testify that they
had been snatched from the grave by
Christian Science, when all other means
had failed. The evidence was not wanted.
Surely this was worthy of the days of the
Court of the Star Chamber.

To return to the question, "Is it a
religion?" In order even to try to answer
that question it is necessary to define in
some way what we understand by the
word religion.

Simply and primarily, I suppose, we
may take religion to mean the belief in a
Divine Being who created the world and
all that exists; secondly, the worship-
ing in conscious unity with that Divine
Being. A German writer thus defines the
word: "Religion" means the
conscious relation between man and God,
and the expression of that relation in
human conduct."

Whilst theology defines, "in the region
of the intellect," the ideas which man
entertains respecting the truth, whom his
worship, religion implants in the heart
a love and a desire for habitual com-
munion with God, an ever-abiding sense
of the nearness—the omnipresence of God;
a belief steadfast and strong in the power
of God to fulfil all the promises made to
man through the prophets of the Old,
and the Crucified Nazarene of the New Testa-
ment. To the best of my understanding,
all this, and more, I have found religion to
mean in Christian Science.

Centuries ago St. Paul wrote to the
Corinthians: "But I fear lest by any means
as the serpent beguiled Eve, through his
subtlety, so your minds should be corrupted
from the simplicity that is in Christ."
Is it a fact that in the Churches of our land
the simplicity has been corrupted? In a
very remarkable sermon, preached in the
City Temple, the Rev. R. J. Campbell said:
"We do not understand the A.B.C. of our
own Gospel. Sometimes one feels inclined
to say that it would be better if we could
make a clean sweep of all the pamphlets,
pulpit notes, all the creeds and catechisms,
all the denominational institutions and
theological systems, and start afresh. We
are preaching lies in His name, and
what is worse, we are living them. The
real gospel is a very simple thing; it is only
the call to be the lover and the servant
of mankind. . . . It is a lie that men
have ever needed to be saved from God; it
is from themselves and from one another
that they need to be delivered. It is a lie
that correctness of opinion has ever mat-
tered one jot in making a man into a
saint of securing him a place in the
glorious fellowship of the righteous.
What does matter is to be on the
side of that which was against wrong,
and cruelty, and ignorance and hate."
These words have the ring of truth about
them which few will deny; and if I under-
stand at all correctly the subject about
which I am writing they describe exactly
what the Christian Science churches have
done; they have made "a clean sweep of
all the paraphernalia of religion, all the
creeds and catechisms, all the denomina-
tional institutions and theological systems,"
and have started afresh; and they are not
only on the side of that which was against
wrong, but they are actively fighting every
form of wrong, sin, and disease, strong in
the faith and knowledge that all can be
overcome in His Name.

This is not an irreligious age; perhaps
never in the world's history have men and
women wanted religion more than they
want it now. They want it because every
kind of evil is on the increase: poverty,
disease, crime. Yet there is a marked
falling off in church attendance all over
the country. It is an acknowledged fact:
Why? The answer is not far to seek.
People do not find what they want in the
churches, and they leave of going. This
is a practical age, and therefore it is a
practical religion that is wanted: a scientific
age, and therefore a scientific understanding
of God and of man's relation to God is
required. The religion that has been so
well described as "a sentiment cloaked
with emotion" is not enough to satisfy an
age that is producing men like Mr. Huxley,
Professor Ostwald of Leipzig, and Professor
Boden-Born, to mention a few only of
the great scientists of the day.

Christianity has been too often spoken
of as a beautiful myth. Perhaps not with-
out reason, as presented by the churches,
since nothing is ever proved to be true—
true in a practical sense. Every Sunday
from every altar in the land are read these
beautiful words: "Come unto the all ye
that labour and are heavy laden, and I will
give you rest." Amongst the kneeling ap-
licants in those churches are people weary
heavy laden, carrying burdens too great
for human strength. Do they lose the bur-
dens as they kneel? No! they brought
them to Church and they carry them home
again. They have not found the Christ
Who said those words. Where is He
—Where? Small wonder that Christianity
often seems a myth.

A white-robed band of chorists with
upraised voices, with slowly down the
aisle, singing, "We come to break oppression,
To set the captive free."
Yet! two thousand years ago—history
records the fact—the captives were set
free. But why sing of what happened two
thousand years ago, if the captives to-
day can not be set free? And the churches
say they cannot.

What is the practical result of all the
thousands and tens of thousands of sermons
which are preached Sunday after Sunday?
Are people being made better—ethically?
Is a certain fact they are not being healed
physically by means of mental therapeutics
followed by the singing of fervent hymns,
and make people feel good. They even go so
far as to believe in the emotionless, the
fact they are truly religious. But such reli-
gion is not true. It is a passing sentiment,
only, more or less emotional according to
temperament.

A highly practical proof that something
new would do more to all the churches
than the old, is to be found in the New
Testament—two statements—promises—
made by the same Divine Being, recorded by
the same Evangelist. The first is: "For
God so loved the world that He gave His only
begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in
Him should not perish, but have everlasting
life." The second is: "Whoever will
deny himself, take up his cross, and follow
Me, will save his life. Who will deny Me,
the works that I do shall he do also."

Place these two statements side by side
(the second is more emphatic than the first),
and ask the question: Why should we
reject the former and accept the latter?
Surely they must stand or fall together.
The one admits of proof, the other does
not. Of all the countless millions who
have passed on since those words were
uttered not one has come back to testify
they found them true. Which is the greater
work, saving the soul, or healing the body?
If Christianity cannot do the latter work
it is going to prove it can do the former?
Jesus of Nazareth never taught that the
works He did were miracles. It has been
said that He was "the most scientific man
that ever trod this globe," and He taught
that healing the sick was the greatest work
of the Kingdom of God.

Most of us are familiar with those
beautiful lines:—
"Twilight, and evening bell,
And after that the dark;
And may there be no shadow of
fearful
What I fear!"

For though I am out of the house of
Time and Place
The Flood may bear me far,
I hope to see my Pilot face to face
When I have crossed the bar."

Do we expect to meet our Pilot face to face
when we have crossed the bar—to see in
His hands the print of the nails, in His
arms the marks of a spear? Or, if we do,
how shall we answer the question:
"How have ye, my brethren,
believed in Me?" It was said by one who
lived at the time He was on earth: "His
rebuks is very stern." Better not to meet
that rebuke when we have "crossed the bar,"
than to have the rebuke of the Father who
said: "To shame Christians; it is a awaken-
ing Christians from a deceptive dream to a
living faith ('faith without works is dead');
to a realistic knowledge that the lips which
said: 'Except your righteousness shall ex-
ceed the righteousness of the Scribes and
Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the
Kingdom of Heaven.' Crossing 'the bar,'
grasping a dead faith; and having
forgotten the garment of righteousness,
will not meet our Pilot face to face."
Pilot face to face? Entering into the King-
dom of Heaven. "Depart from Me," is
the promised greeting which many will
receive.

The manner in which Christian Science
churches are springing into existence all
over the world, and every continent and
island, is very marvellous. They com-
mence simply by the meeting together of
a few people in a private house, just as
the first disciples used to meet in "an
upper chamber." But go to anyone
of these little societies, which are the
foundation of a church, enquire why they
thus meet together to worship God in a
manner so simple, and so primitive, and
you will find that one (or more) of the little
band has been marvellously healed of some
of the little ailments which beset the
body. No many miles from where I live about twenty
people thus meet together every Sunday at
the house of a lady, I believe, over 70. She
herself has been wonderfully healed.
Cathedral chimers are heard in that city;
a stately minister, who is the spiritual
consort of a man laid down, his life for the
Christ. Yet it was not there that she
was healed. Why not? Is it that the
simplicity has been corrupted, and the
faith lost?

I have heard of many marvellous cases
of healing since I wrote the first article
for this paper, cases of organic as well as
so-called functional disease. One case I
should like to narrate. It was not of
disease but of fear, overcome. The story
was told me by a very good friend. I
know it is absolutely true, because the lady
is a friend of her own. A young friend
of the lady who told me the story
suffered so distressingly with nervous
timidity that she would never go even
the length of the road in which she
lived alone after dark. On one occa-
sion, after her marriage, when staying
in Devonshire with her husband, whilst
reading on the moor, she was sitting at
a short distance from her, she suddenly
caught sight of a little adder close beside
her. She threw down her book, and fled

precipitately half a mile from the little
creature. A short time after this she
began the study of Christian Science,
and became a Christian Scientist. Even-
tually she went with her husband to live
in India. It happened one day that the
husband, walking alone on the outskirts of
a lonely wood, when, all at once, quite
close to her, she saw a huge cobra uncoiling
itself from a tree. She stood still for
some moments realising the truth which
Christian Science had taught her: "Man's
darkness is dominion," and Divine Love
was around her; nothing could harm her.
She watched the great creature coil itself
into a ball, and to all appearance go to
sleep. She walked past it. On her return
it was still there, and as she approached it
began to uncoil itself, and she stood
still, and realised the truth. In a little
while the cobra wriggled off in an opposite
direction, and she proceeded on her way.

This incident may recall to some people
the story of the "Lion Sermon," which
for many years has annually been preached
in one of the London churches in com-
memoration of a man's deliverance from a
lion, when alone and unarmed. That man
had evidently grasped at the time, the
truth which the lady knew and realised;
and he, too, was protected. Doubtless,
many times, under different circum-
stances, other people have grasped this
vital truth, and have been delivered
from great danger, but no one has ever
realised and understood it sufficiently to
teach it to others, as Mrs. Eddy has done.
Surely when Christian Science is teaching
that the world is as beautiful as it is marvellous
and in the light of it, the day does not
seem so far distant when "The Word
shall dwell with the lamb, and the
lamb shall be with the Word, and they
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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$15,000,000
RESERVE FUND.....\$1,000,000
STOCKS.....\$1,000,000
BANKERS' LIABILITIES.....\$1,000,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS AT THE RATE OF 2% PER ANNUM ON THE DAILY BALANCE.

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THE MERCHANTS' BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

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RESERVE FUND.....£1,000,000
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MARRIAGE.

JOHNSTON-SANDER.—On April 17th at

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, by the

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CHARLES MATTHEW, only son of Benjamin

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MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Amusements.

9 p.m.—Performance at the City Hall.

General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, April 21:—

Noon—Auction of Valuable Leasehold

Property, at Messrs. Hogg & Hogg's

Sales Rooms.

Noon—Meeting of Union Insurance So-

ciety of Canton, Ltd., at Head Office,

19, 20 p.m.—Meeting of China Traders'

Insurance Co., Ltd., at Head Office.

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THURSDAY, April 22:—

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FRIDAY, April 23:—

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Chinese Porcelain,

etc., at Mr. Geo. P. Lamont's Sales

Rooms.

4 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong General

Chamber of Commerce at City Hall.

9.15 p.m.—Concert of H.K. Philharmonic

Society at City Hall.

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date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, April 24:—

Noon—Meeting of Hongkong Electric

Co., Ltd., at City Office.

3.30 p.m.—First Meeting of Hongkong

Gymkhana Club, at Happy Valley.

The China Mail

HONGKONG, MONDAY, APRIL 19, 1909.

NAVAL DEFENCE IN THE FAR

EAST.

SIR N. BOWDEN SMITH, K.C.B., speaking

at the annual meeting of the Fellows of

the Royal Colonial Institute, in London,

recently said:—"With regard to the

Navy we are committed to the two-Power

standard, and from the pledges given

by both political parties we may hope

the standard will be maintained. We

can hardly hope for a higher standard be-

cause I do not know how any Chancellor

of the Exchequer could possibly find

the means, but I would remind you

that in consequence of the largely in-

creasing armaments of some of our

continental neighbours we have been

obliged to recall a great many of our

ships from foreign seas and concentrate

them in Home waters, for the heart

of the Empire must be protected. But as

a result of that concentration, at the

present moment in Eastern waters we

have no battleship and only four

armoured cruisers, whereas Japan has a

powerful navy and large land forces.

It ought, therefore, to be well under-

stood that neither Australia nor New

Zealand could expect to get any

substantial assistance from this country

in case they were attacked by a squadron

of armour-clad vessels, because in the

first place under present conditions,

considering the extreme weakness of

our land forces, they could not be

spared, and secondly it would take too

long for vessels to get out there in

sufficient time to avert a disaster. I

think this concentration of the fleet in

Home waters, though absolutely neces-

sary under existing conditions, should be

seriously considered by the British peo-

ple. It is a bad thing for the Navy and

a bad thing for the Empire that our

fleet should be tied to our shores in the

way it is at present. I do not think

our people realise that sufficiently, and

they should insist on our keeping up a

real territorial army ready to be mo-

bilised at short notice, so that although

we must always now keep a big fleet in

home waters, some at all events of our

ships, should be free than they are at

present to do their duty in any part of

the high seas where their services may

be required."

Big as the British fleet is the British

Empire is undoubtedly bigger still, and

it is therefore impossible for all quarters

to be served alike. As Admiral BOWEN

Swire remarks "the heart of the Em-

pire" must be protected, yet this surely

could be accomplished without leaving

the limbs unduly exposed. For, when

all is said and done, we imagine that the

Admiralty could make a better distribu-

tion of the Fleet than is at present at-

tempted. British prestige in this region

of the world suffered a very serious

eclipse when we withdrew our battle-

ships from the China station in the im-

mediate sequel of the battle of Tsushima,

but we imagine that there are plenty of

men at Home now who, if they brought

their influence to bear, could have this

mistake remedied if they set their

minds on it. Prestige, we fully under-

stand, is a peculiarly intangible asset,

but it is an asset all the same and with

such a widening empire as ours, with

its ever increasing responsibilities and

anxieties it is something we cannot

afford to lose. When the Dreadnoughts

contemplated by the present scheme are

in the water, we hope that the Ad-

miralty will see their way to sending

back some of the smaller battleships to

this station. That alone will enable us

to recover some of the losses which the

present economic and strategic policy

has involved. As for the self-governing

Colonies we think that their needs also

should have ample consideration,

especially in view of the very substan-

tial help which they are ready to afford

the Mother Country at the present

moment. If Great Britain accepts that

help she must be prepared to shoulder

the responsibilities which the acceptance

of the Colonial Dreadnoughts inevitably

bring in their train, for after all we live

in a world of practical affairs, where

something is only given in return for

something.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Fire sweeps the business section of

Rochester, New York, on April 14 and

damage exceeding one million dollars was

done.

In the Senate at Ottawa, Canada, Mr

Poirer, favouring Senate reform, suggested

amongst other things that newspapers

should have the right, in each province, to

name a senator.

Spanish papers in Manila report the

total loss of the Spanish mail steamer

Alicante, near Almeria, Spain. All the

passengers and crew are reported safe.

The Alicante left Manila on February 23

on route to Barcelona and Liverpool.

The late Lord Burton, head of the

great Burton brewing firm of Bass and

Company, directed that the spine and the

spinal marrow in the neck should be severed

before his remains were placed in the coffin,

and that his heart should be taken out and

placed in a separate vessel in the coffin.

Sir C. B. McLaren, M. P. for Bosworth

Division of Leicestershire, calculating that

there are 40,000,000 rats in the United

Kingdom, and that they do damage to

the amount of £15,000,000 annually, has

introduced into the House of Commons a

Bill for their extermination.

In connection with the Y. M. C. A.

Literary and Debating Society an excel-

lent social, arranged by Captain Baker, was

held in the Y. M. C. A. rooms on Saturday

evening. The Hon. Mr. F. H. May presided

over a considerable attendance and songs

were given by Mrs. Francis Clark, Mr. A. H.

Chapman, Mr. R. M. Croese, R.A., and Mr.

Poll. Miss H. Clark recited "The Silent

Night." Opportunity was taken during the

evening to present the prizes to the suc-

cessful competitors in the recent billiard

and snooker handicaps.

Members of the editorial and com-

mercial staffs of the China Mail gave a

farewell dinner on Saturday night, at the

Hongkong Hotel, to Mr. Thomas Ruther-

ford, a former colleague, who is leaving

this week to take up the position of

manager of the Straits Times at Singapore.

In the regretted absence of the proprietor

(Mr. G. Murray Bain) the gathering was

presided over by Mr. A. Bellamy Brown,

managing director and editor, who gave

AMERICAN MISSION-
ARIES MURDERED.DESPERATE POSITION AT
MERSINA.

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LONDON, April 19.
Two American missionaries have been killed at Adana.
Three French war vessels are hurrying to Mersina where the situation is desperate. Foreigners and Christians are taking refuge in the Consulates.

SOUTH SEA TRAGEDY.

JAPANESE TRADER
MASSACRED.

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LONDON, April 19.
Reuter's agent at Melbourne wires that Admiralty Island natives attacked and killed Captain Komino, a Japanese trader from New Guinea, along with two of his native crew.

OTTOMAN UNION
FORMED.

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LONDON, April 19.
All political parties, committees and associations in Constantinople, irrespective of race or religion, have sunk their differences and formed a Committee of Ottoman Union to defend the Fatherland and the Constitution.

THE CHINA MERCHANTS
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(Wah Te Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, April 18.
Taotai Mak Shun-kin, Chief Director of the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company, of Tientsin, has been asked by the Board of Communications to come up to Peking to discuss the question of bringing the Company under the control of the Board.

THE CANTON-HANKOW
RAILWAY LOAN.

(Wah Te Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, April 18.
No decision has yet been arrived at in connection with the proposed loan for the Canton-Hankow railway. An American syndicate has also made an offer.

FEMALE DETECTIVES.

(Wah Te Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, April 18.
The Opium Commission proposes that female detectives be engaged to trace opium-smoking in the women's quarters.

CONSTITUTIONAL
POLICY.

(Wah Te Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, April 18.
The Prince Regent has asked that the Constitution Investigation Department should select some graduates to be sent to the Palace alternately to explain to him the details of constitutional policy.

CANTON-MACAO
RAILWAY.

(Wah Te Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, April 19.
The Board of Foreign Affairs and the Board of Communications have decided that the Canton-Macao Railway shall be a local gentry and merchants, but that if sufficient share-capital is not subscribed, then the Chinese Government will contribute the balance, with the aid of a foreign loan.

THE MACAO BOUNDARY.

(Wah Te Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, April 19.
A certain foreign Minister notified the Board of Foreign Affairs that he could have nothing to do with the delimitation of the Macao boundary as it was a question purely for China and Portugal to arrange.

HOW TO CURE A COLD.

BE careful as you can you will occasionally take cold, and when you do, get a medicine of known reliability, one that has an established reputation and that is certain to effect a quick cure. Such a medicine is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It has gained a world wide reputation by its remarkable cures of this common ailment. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

THE HONGKONG AND SHANG-
HAI BANK CASE.Young Kwun Leung or Young
Pak Shun.

Before the Chief Justice Sir Francis Pigott, at the Criminal Sessions at the Supreme Court, today, Young Kwun Leung alias Young Pak Shun, took his stand in the dock on a charge of embezzling \$52,747.11 belonging to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

Hon. Sir Henry Barkley, K.C., Attorney General, instructed by Mr. H. L. Denyer, J., from the office of the Crown Solicitor, prosecuted on behalf of the Crown and Mr. H. H. Calhoun, instructed by Messrs Wilkinson and Grier, defended.

Prisoner made a statement to the effect that the cheque and the money did pass through his hands. He signed the cheque and he admitted he was in fault. He would leave the matter in the hands of His Lordship and he wished to be dealt with as leniently as possible.

Sir Henry Barkley—I take it that is a plea of guilty. Continuing Sir Henry Barkley said that prisoner was one of a large number of shroffs employed by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation and part of his duties was to receive money from persons who came to the bank to deposit money. On June 3, 1905, the amount was deposited by a Chinese bank on behalf of the Inspector General of Customs. The usual formalities were gone through and the prisoner cashed the cheque which was for \$40,000 and put that and the balance in his pocket and walked off with it.

Mr. Calhoun said that prisoner had discovered that a sum of \$10,000 was missing. He became frightened and consulted a friend about it who told him that the bank would hold him responsible for the money and the prisoner's story was that this friend had said that he might as well take the lot at the same time offering to assist prisoner which he subsequently did, taking the \$40,000 odd and leaving some \$2,000 or \$3,000 with prisoner. They went to Canton and eventually to the north where they remained several years, after which prisoner came to Shanghai where he was arrested.

Sir Henry Barkley informed that the maximum penalty was fourteen years and the minimum three years.

His Lordship said he did not think he could impose a less penalty than five years with hard labour.

AT THE THEATRE ROYAL.

On Saturday afternoon a very happy band of youngsters assembled at the Theatre Royal to enjoy the humour of "The New Clown," as played by the Hugh J. Ward London Comedy Company. That the juvenile audience thoroughly enjoyed the spirit of the thing was evinced by the almost continuous roars of laughter which rang through the house whenever Mr. Ward was on the stage. The singing and dancing of Miss Palotta was also a treat which was highly appreciated.

In the evening "The Talk of the Town" was put on. It is a rollicking piece and all the fun possible was exhaled from it by the clever band of players who are now ranged under Mr. Ward's banner.

The various songs by Miss Grace Palotta, Miss Celia Ghilioni, Miss Rose Musgrove and Mr. Wallace were all delightful items in a very delightful evening.

To-night the "Man from Mexico" will be given.

THE ENGINEER'S SMOKE.

Everyone connected with the running of the smoking concert given on Saturday evening at the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders are to be congratulated, for it was completely in every way. The room was tastefully decorated, the entertainment was of the best and everyone regretted that it would probably be the last of the season, the hot weather being now so close at hand. Those who figured on the programme were—Messrs E. B. Ayres, F. H. Chapple, J. D. Auld, J. Cobb, O. C. Hill, W. G. Worcester, F. G. Carroll, J. P. Jordan, L. Croese, R. G. A., Capt. Beasley, R. G. A., F. C. Barlow and G. Grimbly.

THE CINEMATOGRAPHS.

The popularity of the Victoria Cinematograph as one of the best places of entertainment is by no means waning and the spontaneous applause accorded to the splendid pictures testify to the appreciation of the large audiences. The magnificent film "The Catastrophe at Sicily" is indeed well worth a visit while Adon and Thorne continue to please and delight the audience in catchy songs, humorous humors and expert dancing.

The Alexandra.

Since the opening of the Alexandra Cinematograph it has come rapidly into favour with the Hongkong public for the excellence of the pictures shown and the all round high-class programme. The pictures are constantly being changed and every Saturday evening a string band is in attendance. Miss Rose Barnes still appears before delighted audiences and every Saturday there is a children's matinee at 4 p.m.

The Star.

Large audiences attend the Star Cinematograph every evening when up-to-date films are being shown on the screen. The "Rainbow Dance" should not be missed.

The Hongkong.

Yet another good show is that given by the Hongkong Cinematograph. The films are very good.

SPORTING.

Lawn Tennis.

In connection with the Hongkong Cricket Club's lawn tennis tournament a number of interesting matches were played off on Saturday afternoon. These included three semi-finals, which were watched by good crowds.

In the Professional Pairs competition T. E. Pearce and P. H. Kilmanek met Dr. Aubrey and Dr. Grosse. Before the former pair were able to secure entry into the final the full three sets had to be played out but on the last trial the winners romped home with comparative ease. The victory was secured by two sets to one and 15 games to 11. In the opening set Pearce and Kilmanek got the first two games without difficulty, but the opposing pair rallied and through the good service of Grosse and the quick returns of his partner they were able to draw level. Deuce games were the order after this, but Pearce and Kilmanek always managed to pull off the required number of points and were soon seen leading by 5 to 2. A game splice finished the set in favour of Pearce and Kilmanek by 6 games to 3.

Although the winners of the initial set secured the two opening games in the next their opponents did not lose heart and by consistent play coupled with an advantage obtained as the result of several bad errors of judgment on the part of Kilmanek, they got ahead. Continuing to bower the other men, they made the games 5 to 2, and then Pearce got in several telling smashes and put on a love game. With Aubrey as server the subsequent game went easily in favour of the leaders who turned the tables on the opposing men by winning by precisely the same margin by which they had been previously defeated.

On the opening of the deciding set Pearce lost his service, but in the next game Kilmanek out-placed the other pair and was mainly responsible for the love game registered. Two all was later called, but then Pearce and Kilmanek were masters of the situation, and finished 5/2. The rallies throughout the match were short and the play fanciful. The better pair undoubtedly won, a feature of their play being the effective smashes of Pearce.

Another match which aroused a good deal of interest was that between Lieut. Byrne and Lieut. Whyte v. J. A. Jupp and D. E. Clark. This was a semi-final in the Doubles Handicap. "A" Class. The handicaps were 30/2 and 0/0 4/8 respectively. The match produced some capital play, but notwithstanding their greater handicap, Byrne and Whyte were always in a commanding position and put out winners by two sets to none and 12 games to 8. The scores were, 6/4, 6/4. For the losers Clark was responsible for some smart rallies, while both the opposing men were clever at the net.

In the Singles Handicap, "D" Class there was a semi-final played off, the sides being C. C. Hickling and E. C. Hagen (own 10) v. Lieut. Thompson and Lieut. Bagnall (own 4/8). This was a particularly close contest, the former pair eventually coming out on top by the odd set of three with a game advantage of 19 to 17. At the end of the second set the pairs were on an absolute equality, each having a set and 13 games in hand. It had been a struggle up to now, for both turned out long sets, the first ending in a win for the military men by 13, while the next went to the other side by 7/5. In the concluding set, however, Hickling and Hagen got away with greater ease and claimed the match and set with two games in hand, the actual score being 6/4.

In the Singles Handicap, "A" Class, Capt. Brierly (own 15/3) met and defeated H. L. Makin (scratch) by 7/5, 6/3 and thus won his way into the semi-final of this competition, his next opponent being D. E. Clark, whose handicap is 0/0 3/8.

Lawn Bowls.

There was a considerable attendance at the opening day of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club on Saturday afternoon and a most enjoyable afternoon was spent. A match was played between the President's team and that of the Vice President when the scores were as follows:—

Subsequently Mrs. Milroy presented the prizes won last season and the spoons won by members of the winning rinks in the afternoon matches. Tea was dispensed during the afternoon by Mrs. Wilkie, Mrs. Duncan, and Mrs. Purnhouse, assisted by Miss Butler and the Misses Logan, and Macdonald's band rendered interesting selections of music.

Corinthian Yacht Club.

CLOSING CRUISE.
In connection with the Corinthian Yacht Club the closing cruise took place on Sunday to Junk Bay. The weather was beautifully fine and a large number of visitors enjoyed the day's outing, a launch being placed at their disposal. The racing was up to the usual high standard. The arrangements were all that could be desired and at the conclusion of the racing Miss Hilda Clark kindly presented the prizes. The officials were—Judges—Messrs Hazeland, Hand and Davison. Clerk of Course—Messrs Burn, Dove and Lammer. Motor Boat Handicappers—Messrs Onke, Burn and Hazeland. Starters—Messrs Wood, Cooke and Melver. Time Keepers—Messrs Meek and Shepherd. Stewards—Messrs Macdonald, Saunders, Clement, O. C. Hill, Gledhill, J. Spittles and Mackay.

The events were as follows:—
WARREN MEMORIAL CHALLENGER CUP: One Design Class, 1, Ashore; 2, Dorothy.
BENTON CHALLENGER CUP: Hayward.
EATON CHALLENGER CUP: 1, Sirius; 2, Marjorie.

LADIES' RACE.—Handicap Class.

1, Ayasha (Mrs. Duncan); 2, Corrinnee (Mrs. Coleman); 3, Dalhouse (Miss Coleman).
MOTOR-BOAT RACE.—1, Vital Spark; 2, Maudie.
LADIES' RACE.—One Design Class: 1, Dorothy; 2, Dalhouse.
LADIES' NON-IMPEDIMENT SWIMMING RACE: 1, Forbes; 2, Storrie.
HAYWARD-HAYS ONE DESIGN CLASS RACE: Open, 1, Lisa; 2, Tremona.
ELIMINATOR CLASS RACE.—Open, 1, Caesar; 2, Corrinnee.
MOTOR-BOAT RACE.—1, Lark; 2, Vital Spark; 3, Veronica.
ONE DESIGN CLASS RACE.—Open, 1, Joan; 2, Dorothy and Meta (dead heat).
LADIES' RACE HAYWARD-HAYS.—One Design, 1, Lisa (Miss Chunnell); 2, Sirius (Mrs. Milroy); 3, Marjorie (Miss Coleman).

Rifle Shooting.

HUTTON-CUP COMPETITION.
The result of the Hutton Cup Competition is as follows:—
BRITISH COMPETITION.—1st, C and G Companies, 2nd Battalion the Buffs; 2nd, H Company, 2nd Battalion the Buffs.
NATIVE COMPETITION.—1st, 100th Mahattai Light Infantry; 2nd, 13th Rajputs.

No. 4, C. O. H. K. V. A.

The final shoot of the series of monthly competitions which the above Co. has been carrying out during the winter months took place on Saturday and Sunday and resulted in some very good scoring.

	200	300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000	Total
Gun. Barnett	33	34	33	35	105					
Bom. Young	26	32	34	7	99					
Least Scott	34	28	30	30	92					
Gun. Miller	33	28	27	10	88					
Sgt. Grimshaw	19	33	27	8	87					
Gun. Long	4	30	27	21	82					
C.S.M. Rodger	26	27	28	30	81					
Gun. Anderson	28	28	27	30	81					
Corp. Serby	22	33	25	30	80					

Spoon winners—Gun. Barnett; Gun. Miller; Bom. Young.
The final result of the competition is arrived at by counting the three best out of five monthly shoots and the class firing score: these scores include handicaps. Three prizes are awarded for the aggregate score. Two prizes are awarded to the members who made the best shots during the range, these scores also include handicaps.

Aggregate competition.
S. S. M. Rodger 415 (1)
Gun. Barnett 399 (2)
Sgt. Grimshaw 399 (3)
Bom. Young 396
Gun. Miller 396
Gun. Anderson 390
Lieut. Scott 379
Corp. Serby 376
Range Prizes.
Gun. Barnett 100 5 105
Gun. Miller 89 14 103 (1)
Bom. Young 82 7 89 (2)
Least Scott 92 6 92

Gun. Barnett being winner of an aggregate prize is barred from taking one of these prizes.

ANNUAL CLASS FIRING.
Six spoons were presented for members of the Co. to compete for at the above. Three were allotted to members who joined the Corps previous to Sept. 1st 1906. The winners were:—
C. S. M. Rodger 150
Corp. Serby 140
Capt. Skinner 136
Three were allotted to members who joined the Corps since Sept. 1st 1906; these were won by:
Gun. Barnett 120
Gun. Telman 124
Gun. Rigold 118

CORRESPONDENCE.

"A SUGGESTION."

(To the Editor of the CHINA MAIL.)
Sir,—Perhaps it would be to the benefit of the "Star Ferry Company" and save the possibility of loss of life if the Company would instruct their conductors to close the "Exit Gates" of their wharf immediately the departure whistle is blown. At present these are not closed until the boat has cleared from the wharf. Yesterday morning, by the 11.35 a.m. Ferry, a Chinese woman while trying to jump upon the Ferry boat missed her footing and consequently fell on the edge of the boat and escaped miraculously from being crushed to death. If the "Star Ferry Company" would adopt my suggestion I am sure that such serious accidents would cease to occur. I am, Sir, yours faithfully,
C. CHANTON,
Manager, Kowloon Hotel.

SUMMER TENNIS LEAGUE.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")
Sir,—It has been suggested in several quarters that a Tennis League would do something to relieve the monotony of the summer months, and to retain the interest of members in those cricket clubs that have now expensive establishments to maintain. Consequently invitations are being sent to the Civil Service, Kowloon, Cragmoor, X.M.C.A., Wigan, Police, and Tai Kok Tennis Clubs to send representatives to a meeting to be held in the Hongkong Cricket Club Pavilion on Friday the 23rd inst. at 8 p.m. to organise the competition.
If any clubs have been inadvertently omitted they are invited to send representatives to the above meeting. Yours,
A. O. BROWN.

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Jokely, by Alice Furrin.
Extraneous, by John G. Laworthy.
The Lure of Eve, Edith Mary Moore.
The Testament of India, by Henry Byss. Captain Vanion's Business, by Walter Dalby.
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DARING ROBBERY IN HONAM.

Our Canton correspondent writes:—A certain rich man whose residence is in Honam lately went abroad in the pursuit of his business. Only the female members of his household remained at home, at Honam. A gang of thieves got to hear that the house was unprotected and resolved to obtain possession of the valuable property therein.
On Friday, therefore, four men disguised themselves as women of fashion. They went to the house and informed the inmates that they had met the master abroad and that he had requested them to call at Honam and to tell his family that he was well and prosperous. The unlucky family believed the story, invited the thieves in and entertained them in fine style. By some means or other (the inmates say magic) the family was rendered unconscious. The pseudo-ladies then commenced to dismantle the house. The housekeeper, however, in the rear of the house, became aware of what was going on. She managed to steal out of the house and make her way to the police station where she reported what was going on. The police went to the house and found the four "ladies" busily engaged in wrapping up the "swag." In the scuffle that followed one was arrested but three managed to escape.
The affair made a great stir in Honam, the streets in the vicinity of the police station being filled with crowds of excited people.

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WEATHER REPORT

The following notice is issued from the Hongkong Observatory—

On the 19th at 11.05 a.m.—The barometer has fallen quickly in Japan, and risen considerably over the E. coast of China.

The depression which passed near Shanghai yesterday has reached S.W. Japan. The area of high pressure is still shown over the Pacific to the E. of N. Japan.

Fresh N.W. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and along the northern shores of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow—

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: N.E. winds, freshening; sun to cloudy and misty, cooler.

2.—Formosa Channel: N.E. winds, fresh.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Amoy: Same as No. 1.

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